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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:522759 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 137:243635

TITLE: Evolutionary relationships of conserved
cysteine-rich motifs in adhesive molecules of
malaria parasites

AUTHOR(S): Michon, Pascal; Stevens, Jamie R.; Kaneko,
Osamu; Adams, John H.

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SOURCE: Molecular Biology and Evolution (2002), 19(7),
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PUBLISHER: Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB Malaria parasites invade erythrocytes in a process mediated by a series of mol. interactions. Invasion of human erythrocytes by Plasmodium vivax is dependent upon the presence of a single receptor, but P. falciparum, as well as some other species, exhibits the ability to utilize multiple alternative invasion pathways. Conserved cysteine-rich domains play important roles at critical times during this invasion process and at other stages in the life cycle of malaria parasites. Duffy-binding-like (DBL) domains, expressed as a part of the erythrocyte-binding proteins (DBL-EBP), are such essential cysteine-rich ligands that recognize specific host cell surface receptors. DBL-EBP, which are products of the erythrocyte-binding-like (ebl) gene family, act as critical determinants of erythrocyte specificity and are the best-defined ligands from invasive stages of malaria parasites. The ebl genes include the P. falciparum erythrocyte-binding antigen-175 (EBA-175) and P. vivax Duffy-binding protein. DBL domains also mediate cytoadherence as a part of the variant erythrocytic membrane protein-1 (PfEMP-1) antigens expressed from var genes on the surface of P. falciparum-infected erythrocytes. A paralogue of the ebl family is the malarial ligand MAEBL, which has a chimeric structure where the DBL domain is functionally replaced with a distinct cysteine-rich erythrocyte-binding domain with similarity to the apical membrane antigen-1 (AMA-1) ligand domain. The Plasmodium AMA-1 ligand domain, which encompasses the extracellular cysteine domains 1 and 2 and is well conserved in a Toxoplasma gondii AMA-1, has erythrocyte-binding activity distinct from that of MAEBL. These important families of Plasmodium mols. (DBL-EBP, PfEMP-1, MAEBL, AMA-1) are interrelated through the MAEBL. Because MAEBL and the other ebl products have the characteristics expected of homologous ligands involved in equivalent alternative invasion pathways to each other, we sought to better understand their roles during invasion by determining their relative

origins in the Plasmodium genome. An anal. of their multiple cysteine-rich domains permitted a unique insight into the evolutionary development of Plasmodium. Our data indicate that maebl, ama-1, and ebl genes have ancient origins which predate Plasmodium speciation. The maebl evolved as a single locus, including its unique chimeric structure, in each Plasmodium species, in parallel with the ama-1 and the ebl genes families. The ancient character of maebl, along with its different expression characteristics suggests that MAEBL is unique and does not play an alternative role in invasion to ebl products such as EBA-175. The multiple *P. falciparum* ebl paralogues that express DBL domains, which have occurred by duplication and diversification, potentially do provide multiple functionally equivalent ligands to EBA-175 for alternative invasion pathways.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:673239 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 136:366181

TITLE: Erythrocyte-binding activity of Plasmodium yoelii apical membrane antigen-1 expressed on the surface of transfected COS-7 cells

AUTHOR(S): Fraser, T. S.; Kappe, S. H. I.; Narum, D. L.; Van Buskirk, K. M.; Adams, J. H.

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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB Malaria merozoite surface and apical organellar mols. facilitate invasion into the host erythrocyte. The underlying mol. mechanisms of invasion are poorly understood, and there are few data to delineate roles for individual merozoite proteins. Apical membrane antigen-1 (AMA-1) is a conserved apicomplexan protein present in the apical organelle complex and at times on the surface of Plasmodium and Toxoplasma zoites. AMA-1 domains 1/2 are conserved between Plasmodium and Toxoplasma and have similarity to the defined ligand domains of MAEBL, an erythrocyte-binding protein identified from Plasmodium yoelii. We expressed selected portions of the AMA-1 extracellular domain on the surface of COS-7 cells to assay for erythrocyte-binding activity. The *P. yoelii* AMA-1 domains 1/2 mediated adhesion to mouse and rat erythrocytes, but not to human erythrocytes. Adhesion to rodent erythrocytes was sensitive to trypsin and chymotrypsin, but not to neuraminidase. Other parts of the AMA-1 ectodomain, including the full-length extracellular domain, mediated significantly less erythrocyte adhesion activity than the contiguous domains 1/2. The results support the role of AMA-1 as an adhesion mol. during merozoite invasion of erythrocytes and identify highly conserved domains 1/2 as the principal ligand of the Plasmodium AMA-1 and possibly the *Toxoplasma* AMA-1. Identification of the AMA-1 ligand domains involved in interaction between the parasite and host cell should help target the development of new therapies to block growth of the blood-stage

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:374799 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 136:84331

TITLE: Toxoplasma gondii homologue of Plasmodium apical
membrane antigen 1 is involved in invasion of
host cells

AUTHOR(S): Hehl, Adrian B.; Lekutis, Christine; Grigg,
Michael E.; Bradley, Peter J.; Dubremetz,
Jean-Francois; Ortega-Barria, Eduardo;
Boothroyd, John C.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology and Immunology,
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CODEN: INFIBR; ISSN: 0019-9567

PUBLISHER: American Society for Microbiology

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB Proteins with constitutive or transient localization on the surface
of Apicomplexa parasites are of particular interest for their
potential role in the invasion of host cells. We describe the
identification and characterization of **TgAMA1**, the
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arrangement of 16 cysteine residues and a putative transmembrane
domain, indicating a similar architecture. The single-copy
TgAMA1 gene is interrupted by seven introns and is
transcribed into an mRNA of approx. 3.3 kb. The **TgAMA1**
protein is produced during intracellular tachyzoite replication and
initially localizes to the micronemes, as determined by
immunofluorescence assay and immunoelectron microscopy. Upon
release of mature tachyzoites, **TgAMA1** is found distributed
predominantly on the apical end of the parasite surface. A
approx. 54-kDa cleavage product of the large ectodomain is
continuously released into the medium by extracellular parasites.
Mouse antiserum against recombinant **TgAMA1** blocked
invasion of new host cells by approx. 40%. This and our inability
to produce a viable **TgAMA1** knock-out mutant indicate that
this phylogenetically conserved protein fulfills a key function in
the invasion of host cells by extracellular T. gondii tachyzoites.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:128290

TITLE: The Toxoplasma homolog of Plasmodium apical
membrane antigen-1 (AMA-1) is a microneme

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AUTHOR(S):

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LANGUAGE:

AB A monoclonal antibody (MAb) has been generated against a novel 63 kDa surface/apical antigen of *Toxoplasma gondii* tachyzoites which is identified here as **TgAMA-1**, the *Toxoplasma* homolog of *Plasmodium* apical membrane antigen-1 (AMA-1). Sequence anal., phase partitioning in Triton X-114, and labeling of **TgAMA-1** with iodonaphthalene azide all suggest that **TgAMA-1** is a type I transmembrane protein. There is a high degree of sequence similarity between **TgAMA-1** and *Plasmodium* AMA-1, most notably in the position of conserved cysteine residues within the protein's predicted extracellular domain. In contrast to full length *Plasmodium* AMA-1, which has previously been localized to the rhoptries, it is shown here by immunofluorescence and immunoelectron microscopy that intracellular **TgAMA-1** is found in the micronemes. A 53 kDa N-terminal proteolytic fragment of **TgAMA-1** is constitutively secreted from the parasite at 37°C. As is the case with other microneme proteins, the proteolytic processing and secretion of **TgAMA-1** is dramatically enhanced in response to treatments which increase intracellular calcium levels.

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L10 ANSWER 1 OF 7 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:287181 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200287181

TITLE: Intramembrane cleavage of microneme proteins at the surface of the apicomplexan parasite *Toxoplasma gondii*.

AUTHOR(S): Opitz, Corinna; Di Cristina, Manlio; Reiss, Matthias; Ruppert, Thomas; Crisanti, Andrea; Soldati, Dominique (1)

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LANGUAGE: English

AB Apicomplexan parasites actively secrete proteins at their apical pole as part of the host cell invasion process. The adhesive micronemal proteins are involved in the recognition of host cell receptors. Redistribution of these receptor-ligand complexes toward the posterior pole of the parasites is powered by the actomyosin system of the parasite and is presumed to drive parasite gliding motility and host cell penetration. The microneme protein protease termed MPP1 is responsible for the removal of the C-terminal domain of TgMIC2 and for shedding of the protein during invasion. In this study, we used site-specific mutagenesis to determine the amino acids essential for this cleavage to occur. Mapping of the cleavage site on TgMIC6 established that this processing occurs within the membrane-spanning domain, at a site that is conserved throughout all apicomplexan microneme proteins. The fusion of the surface antigen SAG1 with these transmembrane domains excluded any significant role for the ectodomain in the cleavage site recognition and provided evidence that MPP1 is constitutively active at the surface of the parasites, ready to sustain invasion at any time.

L10 ANSWER 2 OF 7 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 1
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002339905 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 22077637 PubMed ID: 12082132
TITLE: Evolutionary relationships of conserved cysteine-rich motifs in adhesive molecules of malaria parasites.
AUTHOR: Michon Pascal; Stevens Jamie R; Kaneko Osamu; Adams John H
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biological Sciences, University of Notre Dame, Indiana 46556, USA.
CONTRACT NUMBER: R29/R01 AI33656 (NIAID)
SOURCE: MOLECULAR BIOLOGY AND EVOLUTION, (2002 Jul) 19 (7) 1128-42.
Journal code: 8501455. ISSN: 0737-4038.
PUB. COUNTRY: United States
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
OTHER SOURCE: GENBANK-AY042082; GENBANK-AY042083
ENTRY MONTH: 200212
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 20020626
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AB Malaria parasites invade erythrocytes in a process mediated by a series of molecular interactions. Invasion of human erythrocytes by *Plasmodium vivax* is dependent upon the presence of a single receptor, but *P. falciparum*, as well as some other species, exhibits the ability to utilize multiple alternative invasion pathways. Conserved cysteine-rich domains play important roles at critical times during this invasion process and at other stages in the life cycle of malaria parasites. Duffy-binding-like (DBL) domains, expressed as a part of the erythrocyte-binding proteins (DBL-EBP), are such essential cysteine-rich ligands that recognize specific host cell surface receptors. DBL-EBP, which are products of the erythrocyte-binding-like (ebl) gene family, act as critical

determinants of erythrocyte specificity and are the best-defined ligands from invasive stages of malaria parasites. The ebl genes include the *P. falciparum* erythrocyte-binding antigen-175 (EBA-175) and *P. vivax* Duffy-binding protein. DBL domains also mediate cytoadherence as a part of the variant erythrocytic membrane protein-1 (PfEMP-1) antigens expressed from var genes on the surface of *P. falciparum*-infected erythrocytes. A paralogue of the ebl family is the malarial ligand MAEBL, which has a chimeric structure where the DBL domain is functionally replaced with a distinct cysteine-rich erythrocyte-binding domain with similarity to the apical membrane antigen-1 (AMA-1) ligand domain. The Plasmodium AMA-1 ligand domain, which encompasses the extracellular cysteine domains 1 and 2 and is well conserved in a *Toxoplasma gondii* AMA-1, has erythrocyte-binding activity distinct from that of MAEBL. These important families of Plasmodium molecules (DBL-EBP, PfEMP-1, MAEBL, AMA-1) are interrelated through the MAEBL. Because MAEBL and the other ebl products have the characteristics expected of homologous ligands involved in equivalent alternative invasion pathways to each other, we sought to better understand their roles during invasion by determining their relative origins in the Plasmodium genome. An analysis of their multiple cysteine-rich domains permitted a unique insight into the evolutionary development of PLASMODIUM: Our data indicate that maebl, ama-1, and ebl genes have ancient origins which predate Plasmodium speciation. The maebl evolved as a single locus, including its unique chimeric structure, in each Plasmodium species, in parallel with the ama-1 and the ebl genes families. The ancient character of maebl, along with its different expression characteristics suggests that MAEBL is unique and does not play an alternative role in invasion to ebl products such as EBA-175. The multiple *P. falciparum* ebl paralogues that express DBL domains, which have occurred by duplication and diversification, potentially do provide multiple functionally equivalent ligands to EBA-175 for alternative invasion pathways.

L10 ANSWER 3 OF 7 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 2
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001503191 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21436159 PubMed ID: 11551631
 TITLE: Erythrocyte-binding activity of Plasmodium yoelii apical membrane antigen-1 expressed on the surface of transfected COS-7 cells.
 AUTHOR: Fraser T S; Kappe S H; Narum D L; VanBuskirk K M; Adams J H
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biological Sciences, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 46556-0369, USA.
 CONTRACT NUMBER: R29/R01 AI33656 (NIAID)
 SOURCE: MOLECULAR AND BIOCHEMICAL PARASITOLOGY, (2001 Sep 28) 117 (1) 49-59.
 Journal code: 8006324. ISSN: 0166-6851.
 PUB. COUNTRY: Netherlands
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LANGUAGE: English
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 AB Malaria merozoite surface and apical organellar molecules facilitate

invasion into the host erythrocyte. The underlying molecular mechanisms of invasion are poorly understood, and there are few data to delineate roles for individual merozoite proteins. Apical membrane antigen-1 (AMA-1) is a conserved apicomplexan protein present in the apical organelle complex and at times on the surface of Plasmodium and Toxoplasma zoites. AMA-1 domains 1/2 are conserved between Plasmodium and Toxoplasma and have similarity to the defined ligand domains of MAEBL, an erythrocyte-binding protein identified from Plasmodium yoelii. We expressed selected portions of the AMA-1 extracellular domain on the surface of COS-7 cells to assay for erythrocyte-binding activity. The P. yoelii AMA-1 domains 1/2 mediated adhesion to mouse and rat erythrocytes, but not to human erythrocytes. Adhesion to rodent erythrocytes was sensitive to trypsin and chymotrypsin, but not to neuraminidase. Other parts of the AMA-1 ectodomain, including the full-length extracellular domain, mediated significantly less erythrocyte adhesion activity than the contiguous domains 1/2. The results support the role of AMA-1 as an adhesion molecule during merozoite invasion of erythrocytes and identify highly conserved domains 1/2 as the principal ligand of the Plasmodium AMA-1 and possibly the Toxoplasma AMA-1. Identification of the AMA-1 ligand domains involved in interaction between the parasite and host cell should help target the development of new therapies to block growth of the blood-stage malaria parasites.

L10 ANSWER 4 OF 7 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 3
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001053086 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20536458 PubMed ID: 11083833
 TITLE: Toxoplasma gondii homologue of plasmodium apical membrane antigen 1 is involved in invasion of host cells.
 AUTHOR: Hehl A B; Lekutis C; Grigg M E; Bradley P J; Dubremetz J F; Ortega-Barria E; Boothroyd J C
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, California 94305-5124, USA.
 CONTRACT NUMBER: AI10373 (NIAID)
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 SOURCE: INFECTION AND IMMUNITY, (2000 Dec) 68 (12) 7078-86.
 Journal code: 0246127. ISSN: 0019-9567.
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 LANGUAGE: English
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 AB Proteins with constitutive or transient localization on the surface of Apicomplexa parasites are of particular interest for their potential role in the invasion of host cells. We describe the identification and characterization of TgAMA1, the Toxoplasma gondii homologue of the Plasmodium apical membrane antigen 1 (AMA1), which has been shown to elicit a protective immune response against merozoites dependent on the correct pairing of its numerous disulfide bonds. TgAMA1 shows between 19% (Plasmodium berghei) and 26% (Plasmodium yoelii) overall identity to

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L10 ANSWER 5 OF 7 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:175451 BIOSIS
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200175451
 TITLE: The Toxoplasma homolog of Plasmodium apical membrane antigen-1 (AMA-1) is a microneme protein which is secreted from the parasite in response to elevated intracellular calcium levels.
 AUTHOR(S): Donahue, Carolyn G. (1); Carruthers, Vern B.; Gilk, Stacey D. (1); Ward, Gary E.
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) University of Vermont, Burlington, VT USA
 SOURCE: Molecular Biology of the Cell, (Dec., 2000) Vol. 11, No. Supplement, pp. 237a.
<http://www.molbiolcell.org/>. print.
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 ISSN: 1059-1524.
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L10 ANSWER 6 OF 7 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 4
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001078176 MEDLINE
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 TITLE: The Toxoplasma homolog of Plasmodium apical membrane antigen-1 (AMA-1) is a microneme protein secreted in response to elevated intracellular calcium levels.
 AUTHOR: Donahue C G; Carruthers V B; Gilk S D; Ward G E
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, University of Vermont, 214 Stafford Hall, Burlington, VT 05405, USA.
 CONTRACT NUMBER: AI42355 (NIAID)
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 SOURCE: MOLECULAR AND BIOCHEMICAL PARASITOLOGY, (2000 Nov) 111 (1) 15-30.
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1977-55307Y [31] WPIDS
TITLE: Polymer hardening monitoring - by estimating
corresp. change in the value of the dielectric loss
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DERWENT CLASS: A35 A93 L02 S03 S05
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Polymer hardening process can be easily monitored by relating the degree of hardening to the change in the value of the dielectric loss tg. of the material according to the formula $H = (tg A - tg A_0) \cdot H_{max} / tg A_{max}$ where H is the hardening index (% of unpolymerised resin), H_{max} and $tg A_{max}$ are the initial values ($H_{max} = 100\%$), $tg A_0$ is the dielectric loss tg. of the fully hardened polymer and $tg A$ is the running value at any instant of time. Calibration graphs can be constructed and used from the routine tests. The method finds use in laboratory and in the mfr. of polymeric construction materials, e.g. polymer-concrete mix.

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ISSN: 1059-1524.
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AUTHOR(S): Donahue, C. G.; Carruthers, V. B.; Gilk, S. D.;
Ward, G. E.
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology and Molecular
Genetics; University of Vermont, Burlington, VT,
05405, USA
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:503849 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900503849
TITLE: Evaluation of novel monoclonal antibodies for use in Toxoplasma gondii antigen capture assay.
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fluorescence microscopy. We report here on the use of these plates to screen hybridoma supernatants for reactivity with specific subcellular compartments of the protozoan parasite *Toxoplasma gondii*. This has proven to be a powerful screening strategy, particularly when combined with high-throughput immunoblotting, and has enabled us to generate nine different monoclonal antibodies (MAbs) against either the periphery or structures within the apical end of *T. gondii*. The availability of a disposable, inexpensive, 96-well plate with optical properties suitable for high magnification imaging could lead to applications in a variety of fluorescence-based screening protocols.

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